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PATENT APPLICATION **AF**
RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1733

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Hiroshi IIZUKA, et al.

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 1, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Claims 1 and 3-5 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 4 and 5 are amended.

II. AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

(There are no amendments to the drawings)

III. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

(There are no amendments to the specification)

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